

## Abstract of the Disclosure

A base module for a filter assembly constructed from molded parts comprises a body which forms a receiving cavity for a replaceable filter cartridge and a communication module which includes integral inlet and outlet structures for providing fluid communication with the received filter cartridge and inlet and outlet fittings for remote fluid communication. The body, communication module and inlet and outlet fittings may be individually molded of plastic or similar material to provide for the efficient assembly of a set of elementary components into a base module having a configuration specified from an infinite variety of possible angular orientations.